

Amendments to the Claims

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An image data processing device, comprising:

    a processing device that acquires basic image data, and generates simplified image data corresponding to said basic image data that has been acquired, a size of said simplified image data being smaller than that of said basic image data;

    a transmission device that transmits at least said basic image data to an external storage device after the processing device has generated the simplified image data;

    an internal storage device; and

    a control device that controls said processing device, said transmission device and said internal storage device, and causes said internal storage device to store said basic image data and said simplified image data, and to delete said basic image data from said internal storage device without deleting said simplified image data from said internal storage device after said transmission device has transmitted said basic image data to said external storage device.

2. (Previously Presented) An image data processing device according to Claim 1, further comprising:

    an identifying information generation device that generates identifying information for individually identifying correspondence between said basic image data and said simplified image data, wherein:

        said transmission device transmits at least said basic image data and said identifying information to the external storage device; and

        said internal storage device stores said simplified image data and said identifying information.

3. (Cancelled)
4. (Previously Presented) An image data processing device according to Claim 1, wherein said transmission device performs a communication with the external storage device by radio.
5. (Previously Presented) An image data processing device according to Claim 2, wherein:

said processing device, said transmission device, and said internal storage device perform processing for a plurality of sets of basic image data; and further comprising:

a display device that displays a plurality of simplified images corresponding to a plurality of sets of simplified image data;

a selection device that selects a single simplified image from said plurality of simplified images which have been displayed upon said display device;

a command generation device that generates a delete command for deletion of simplified image data and basic image data corresponding to a simplified image which is selected by said selection device; and wherein:

said transmission device transmits identifying information and a delete command corresponding to the simplified image that has been selected, to the external storage device.
6. (Previously Presented) An image data processing device according to Claim 5, wherein:

said command generation device generates a protect command for preventing deletion of simplified image data and basic image data corresponding to a simplified image that is selected by said selection device; and

said transmission device transmits identifying information and a protect command corresponding to the simplified image that has been selected, to the external storage device.

7. (Previously Presented) An image data processing device according to Claim 6, wherein:

    said command generation device generates a protection cancel command for canceling prevention of deletion of simplified image data and basic image data corresponding to a simplified image that is selected by said selection device; and

    said transmission device transmits identifying information and a protection cancel command corresponding to the simplified image that has been selected, to said external storage device.

8. (Original) An image data processing device according to Claim 2, wherein said identifying information includes inherent information that identifies the image data processing device individually.

9. (Previously Presented) An image data processing device according to Claim 1, further comprising:

    a power supply control device that turns off a supply of power to the image data processing device upon actuation of an actuation member, wherein

    if said actuation member is actuated while said transmission device is transmitting said basic image data to the external storage device, said power supply control device turns off said supply of power to the image data processing device after said transmission device has completed transmitting of said basic image data.

10. (Previously Presented) An image data processing device according to Claim 1, further comprising:

a display device that displays an image related to said basic image data or said simplified image data, wherein

    said display device performs control so as to lower a brightness of display image, when said transmission device is transmitting said basic image data to the external storage device.

11. (Currently Amended) An electronic camera, comprising:

    an image capturing device that captures an image of a photographic subject and generates basic image data based thereupon;

    a simplified image data generation device that generates simplified image data corresponding to said basic image data that has been generated, a size of said simplified data being smaller than that of said basic image data;

    a transmission device that transmits at least said basic image data to an external storage device after the simplified image data generation device has generated the simplified image data;

    an internal storage device; and

    a control device that controls said image capturing device, said simplified image data generation device, said transmission device and said internal storage device, the control device controlling:

        said internal storage device to store said basic image data and said simplified image data, and

        after said transmission device has transmitted said basic image data to said external storage device, controlling the internal storage device to delete said basic image data from said internal storage device without deleting said simplified image data from said internal storage device.

12. (Original) An electronic camera according to Claim 11, further comprising:

a continuous photography control device that performs control for continuous photography, wherein:

    said internal storage device temporarily stores a plurality of sets of basic image data and a plurality of sets of simplified image data, during continuous photography;

    said transmission device transmits said plurality of sets of basic image data to the external storage device after the continuous photography has been completed; and

    said internal storage device deletes a set of basic image data that has been transmitted by said transmission device.

13. (Previously Presented) An electronic camera according to Claim 12, further comprising:

    a display device that displays images related to said basic image data or said simplified image data, wherein

    said display device displays a plurality of simplified images corresponding to said plurality of sets of simplified image data; and

    when said transmission device is transmitting a set of basic image data, said display device controls display of said plurality of simplified images so as to be able to identify a simplified image that corresponds to the set of basic image data which is being transmitted.

14. (Currently Amended) An image data storing system that transmits image data from an image data processing device to an external storage device and stores the image data in the external storage device, comprising:

    a processing device that is provided in said image data processing device, the processing device acquiring basic image data and generating simplified image data corresponding to said basic image data that has been acquired, a size of said simplified image data being smaller than that of said basic image data;

a transmission device that is provided in said image data processing device and transmits at least said basic image data to said external storage device after the processing device has generated the simplified image data;

an internal storage device that is provided in said image data processing device and stores said simplified image data without storing said basic image data;

an image storage device that is provided in said external storage device and stores at least said basic image data which has been transmitted from said image data processing device; and

a control device that controls said processing device, said transmission device and said internal storage device, the control device controlling:

    said internal storage device to store said basic image data and said simplified image data in said internal storage device, and

    after said transmission device has transmitted said basic image data to said external storage device, controlling the internal storage device to delete said basic image data from said internal storage device without deleting said simplified image data from said internal storage device.

15. (Original) An image data storing system according to Claim 14, further comprising:

    an identifying information generation device that generates identifying information for individually identifying correspondence between said basic image data and said simplified image data, wherein:

        said transmission device of said image data processing device transmits at least said basic image data and said identifying information to said external storage device;

        said internal storage device of said image data processing device stores said simplified image data and said identifying information; and

said image storage device of said external storage device stores at least said basic image data and said identifying information that have been transmitted from said image data processing device.

16. (Original) An image data processing device according to Claim 1, wherein said transmission device transmits both said basic image data and said simplified image data to the external storage device.

17. (Original) An image data processing device according to Claim 1, wherein said transmission device does not transmit said simplified image data to the external storage device.

18. (Original) An electronic camera according to Claim 11, wherein said transmission device transmits both said basic image data and said simplified image data to the external storage device.

19. (Original) An electronic camera according to Claim 11, wherein said transmission device does not transmit said simplified image data to the external storage device.

20. (Original) An image data storing system according to Claim 14, wherein said transmission device transmits both said basic image data and said simplified image data to the external storage device.

21. (Original) An image data storing system according to Claim 14, wherein said transmission device does not transmit said simplified image data to the external storage device.

22. (Currently Amended) An image data processing method, comprising:  
acquiring basic image data using an image capturing device;

generating simplified image data corresponding to said basic image data that has been acquired, a size of said simplified image data being smaller than that of said basic image data;

storing said simplified image data and said basic image data in an internal storage of the image capturing device;

transmitting at least said basic image data to an external storage device after the simplified image data has been generated; and

deleting said basic image data from said internal storage of said image capturing device without deleting said simplified image data from said internal storage of said image capturing device upon completion of said transmission of said basic image data to said external storage device.

23. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable ~~computer program product~~ containing recording medium that stores a computer-readable program for processing image data, the program comprising:

instructions for acquiring basic image data;

instructions for generating simplified image data corresponding to said basic image data that has been acquired, a size of said simplified image data being smaller than that of said basic image data;

instructions for storing said simplified image data and said basic image data in an internal storage of an imaging device;

instructions for transmitting at least said basic image data to an external storage device after the simplified image data has been generated; and

instructions for deleting said basic image data from said internal storage of said imaging device without deleting said simplified image data from said internal storage of

said imaging device upon completion of said transmission of said basic image data to said external storage device.

24-25. (Cancelled)

26. (Previously Presented) An image data processing method according to claim 22, further comprising changing a brightness of a display of said image capturing device while transmitting said basic image data, wherein the display has a first brightness while the transmission is occurring and has a second brightness when transmission is completed.

27. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable ~~computer program product~~ recording medium according to claim 23, ~~that further comprising stores~~ instructions for changing a brightness of a display of said imaging device while transmitting said basic image data, wherein the display has a first brightness while the transmission is occurring and has a second brightness when transmission is completed.

28. (New) An image data processing device according to claim 1, wherein the control device controls the internal storage device to delete the basic image data from the internal storage device after a receipt completed signal has been received from the external storage device.